



Exhibit 3: Letters of Support

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CHAIRWOMAN, ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

California Legislature

November 21, 2005

Mr. Sam Schuchat
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Schuchat:

I am pleased to write this letter of support for Save The Bay's San Francisco Bay Community-Based Habitat Restoration Projects. Since its inception in 2000, this regional, innovative Bay restoration program has involved thousands of individual participants in hands-on outings and restoration projects. The program addresses several critical needs, including wetland restoration, and public involvement and education about San Francisco Bay issues.

Save The Bay partners with multiple local, regional, and federal resource agencies at key sites to involve community volunteers in needed restoration and monitoring tasks that would otherwise go undone. These public-private partnerships allow Save The Bay and its partners to leverage state and federal funds to restore more estuarine habitat for multiple species in the San Francisco Bay ecosystem.

The effectiveness of Save The Bay's current restoration work confirms that the organization is a solid partner that runs well-planned restoration projects, based on sound technical principles, benefiting multiple species in a diversity of habitats. They have engaged more than 30,000 student and community volunteers at six regional sites that are resulting in substantial ecosystem improvements, including the control of invasive species and increased native revegetation that is providing valuable nesting and feeding habitat for fish, shorebirds, and wildlife.

Save The Bay's San Francisco Bay Community-Based Habitat Restoration Projects will result in the restoration of critical tidal wetland habitat, and I highly recommend it for funding. Please feel free to contact my staff at 510-286-1670 should you have questions regarding my support of Save The Bay.

Sincerely,

Wilma Chan
Assemblymember

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OAKLAND, CALIF.

Sam Schuchat
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

November 14, 2005

Dear Mr. Schuchat:

Recreation,
Open Space &
Sciences Division
Junior Museum

The City of Palo Alto Baylands Preserve is pleased to be partnering with Save The Bay's San Francisco Bay Community-Based Habitat Restoration Projects, and this letter serves to confirm that partnership. Since 2001, the City of Palo Alto Baylands Nature Preserve has been working with Save The Bay to involve local schools, community groups, businesses, and agencies in wetland restoration along the mouth of San Francisquito Creek.

The focus of the project is native plant species propagation to restore creek and wetland habitat along the Baylands. Since the inception of our partnership, Save The Bay has engaged more than 8,000 student and community volunteers in wetland restoration at the Baylands Nature Preserve. Staff from the Palo Alto Baylands Preserve work with Save The Bay on restoration project planning, plant propagation, and management of the project. The City of Palo Alto gives considerable in-kind support to the project through staff time for planning, native plant purchase, use of trucks and equipment, and participation in field days.

In the coming years, we look forward to continuing our project with Save The Bay. Approval of Save The Bay's San Francisco Bay Community-Based Habitat Restoration Projects will result in the restoration of critical tidal wetland habitat, and we highly recommend it for funding. Please feel free to contact me at 650-617-3156 should you have questions regarding the City of Palo Alto partnership with Save The Bay.

Sincerely,



Daren Anderson, Senior Ranger
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Open Space Division
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November 18, 2005

Honorable Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am pleased to write in support of Save The Bay's San Francisco Bay Community-Based Habitat Restoration Projects. Save The Bay provides opportunities for students, community members, corporate groups, and families to directly participate in hands-on restoration of tidal wetlands at multiple sites in the Bay. In an urban area with thousands of acres of land that needs to be restored and maintained, our greatest resource is people. This partnership program between Save The Bay, local communities, and local, regional, and federal resource agency site partners is critical for accomplishing needed restoration tasks that would otherwise go undone.

PG&E has partnered with Save The Bay's program for the past three years, involving our employees in community-based restoration projects at three different sites: Martin Luther King, Jr. Regional Shoreline in Oakland, San Francisquito Creek in Palo Alto, and Tolay Creek in Sonoma. More than 300 PG&E employees have participated in this effort having fun and learning a lot while getting valuable restoration work done for the Bay.

Funding from the Coastal Conservancy for Save The Bay's San Francisco Bay Community-Based Habitat Restoration Projects will help restore vital tidal wetland habitat.

Thank you very much for your consideration of our views. Please feel free to contact me at 415-973-8898 should you have questions regarding the PG&E's partnership with Save The Bay.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Wendy Pulling'.

cc: David Lewis

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United States Department of the Interior
FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge Complex
P.O. Box 524
Newark, California 94560-0524



November 18, 2005

Sam Schuchat
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Schuchat:

Save The Bay has been a strong partner with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge Complex. Their organization works with us to involve community volunteers in habitat restoration projects at three of our Refuges, including Bair Island within the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge, Tolay Creek at the San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge, and the Marin Islands National Wildlife Refuge. We enthusiastically support Save The Bay's San Francisco Bay Community-Based Habitat Restoration Projects.

Three of the seven refuges that comprise the San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge Complex are within the San Francisco Bay estuary. In an urban area with thousands of acres of land that needs to be restored and maintained, our greatest resource is people. Save The Bay's projects partner multiple local, regional, and federal resource agencies at key sites to involve community volunteers in needed restoration and monitoring tasks that would otherwise go undone. It is public-private partnerships like this project with Save The Bay that allows us to leverage state and Federal funds to restore more estuarine habitat for multiple species in the San Francisco Bay ecosystem. The effectiveness of Save The Bay's current restoration work at three of our Refuges confirms that the organization is a solid partner that runs well-planned projects, based on sound technical principles, benefiting multiple species in a diversity of habitats. They have engaged more than 5,000 student and community volunteers at our sites and we are seeing substantial ecosystem improvements, including the control of invasive species and increased native re-vegetation that is providing valuable nesting and feeding habitat for fish, shorebirds, and other wildlife.

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Approval of Save The Bay's San Francisco Bay Community-Based Habitat Restoration Projects will result in the restoration of critical tidal wetland habitat, and we highly recommend it for funding. Please feel free to contact me at (510) 792-4275 should you have questions regarding the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service partnership with Save The Bay.

Sincerely,



G. Mendel Stewart
Project Leader, San Francisco Bay National Wildlife
Refuge Complex

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